

WILSON WARNS OF MENACE ON WESTERN COAST

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U. S. May Be Engulfed
at Any Time.

NAVY NO SAFEGUARD

Immense Crowd in Kansas
City Cheers Pleas for Bet-
ter Preparedness.

Kansas City, Feb. 2.—President Wilson tonight for the first time sounded a warning that peril menaces the United States from its western coast. After declaring that the whole world is on fire and that the United States might be engulfed at any time, he said:

"If these flames creep in on the United States, they may creep in on both coasts. Do you know of that great sweep up the Western coast from the Canal to Alaska and that great sweep up from the Gulf of Mexico to the St. Lawrence?"

"There are many good harbors and many cities that would be open to attack. Do you think that a navy that ranks fourth is enough to guard these long expanses?"

Assurances Shouted.

"Congress is going to ask me," said the President at one time, "Can you get those 300,000 men for the continental army?"

"Yes, yes" came up all over the building.

The President issued his warning that the need for preparation was unusually grave.

"I say to you in all solemnity," he declared, "there is not a day to be lost—not because of any new or critical matter, but because I cannot tell what will happen in twenty-four hours."

"It does not depend upon what I may do or upon what this government may do. It depends on what foreign governments do; or what commanders of ships at sea do; or what commanders of submarines do; upon acts of blockade commanders and upon acts of scores of big and little men."

The President again paid high tribute to the navy of the United States, arousing the greatest enthusiasm.

Can't Guard Border.

"What is there behind the President of the United States?" he said. "In the first place there is a navy of which for my part I am very proud. But it must be increased in numbers and at once."

The President stirred the crowd when he declared, "I haven't enough men to guard the Mexican border. I haven't even enough men to keep bandits from raiding into United States territory," the President said.

President Wilson's preparedness trip is nearly at an end. Following his address here tonight he left for St. Louis where he will make his last speech before returning to Washington. He will arrive in Washington Friday afternoon.

Explosion Kills 14 on Tow Boat

Boiler of Vessel on the Ohio
River Lets Go Near
Huntington.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Huntington, W. Va., Feb. 2.—Fourteen persons were killed today when the tow-boat Sam Brown, of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coke and Coal Company, was demolished by a boiler explosion several miles south of here.

The boat carried a crew of thirty-four. Twenty survivors were picked up by small boats. Four bodies have been recovered.

All of the chief officers of the Sam Brown were from Pittsburgh, but most of the members of the crew were from West Virginia and Ohio points.

British Throw Grenades.

London, Feb. 2.—Headquarters report: Last night one of our patrols, after shooting a hostile sentry, threw hand grenades into an enemy post which had been established at the northern end of the Frise.

Packet Doomed by Fire.

Point Pleasant, W. Va., Feb. 2.—The packet boat Lorena, in the Pittsburgh-Gallipolis trade, is burning at her dock here. She caught fire from an overheated stove and will be a total loss. The Lorena is valued at \$20,000.

Fire in Arms Company Plant.

Utica, N. Y., Feb. 2.—A fire of mysterious origin destroyed large lumber sheds belonging to the Savage Arms Company early today and for a time threatened to spread to other buildings of the company's big plant.

To Tax German Bachelors.

Copenhagen, Feb. 2.—A Berlin dispatch reports that the German government will shortly levy a war tax on bachelors.

Attractive Route—Convenient Schedule To Augusta, Alaska. Augusta Special. Special to Washington 7 p. m. daily. Southern R. 705 15th-911 G St.—Adv.

Mile in 38 Seconds Is Made by Aviator

Special to The Washington Herald.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 2.—All American records for speed were eclipsed here by Aviator Frank Burnside, who several days ago attained an average speed of ninety-five miles an hour.

The record was made in a Thomas military tractor biplane over a measured half-mile course.

Mr. Burnside's speed averaged a mile in thirty-eight seconds. The flight was officially timed by J. J. Frawley, a representative of the Aero Club of America.

GERMAN BOMBS MURDER WOMEN AT DEVOTIONS

Details of Zeppelin Raid Over
England Show Horrors
of Destruction.

6 CHILDREN CUT DOWN

Missionary Addressing Meet-
ing Instantly Slain by Frag-
ments of Teuton Shell.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Feb. 2.—Fifty-nine persons were killed and 191 wounded by bombs thrown from the Zeppelins which raided England on Monday night, according to an official statement issued this evening by the war office.

As usual in these raids, a remarkable proportion of the victims were women and children. Of the whole number killed twenty were women and six children. The women and children injured actually outnumber the men.

The following is a description of the raid as witnessed by a correspondent in a Staffordshire town:

"The first bomb was dropped near a moving picture theater, which was brilliantly illuminated. For a certain period the Zeppelin circled about the town at the speed of an express train. Many people rushed out, but there was no panic."

"Both explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped. Sometime was lost before the neighborhood was darkened. The airship appeared to have no diffi-

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CHILD LABOR BILL PASSES

House Votes to Bar Children's
Products from Inter-
state Trade.

In the face of bitter opposition interposed by Democrats from cotton-mill towns in the South, the House yesterday, by a vote of 337 to 96, passed the Keating bill, prohibiting shipment in interstate commerce of products made by child labor.

The debate on the measure was marked by a sharp exchange between Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, and Representative Webb, of North Carolina, chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary.

Southern members made every effort to defeat the bill, and forced the adoption of an amendment offered by Representative Clark, of Florida, exempting unincorporated boys' and girls' canning clubs from observance of the law.

The Keating bill was drafted by the House Committee on Labor, and was reported by an almost unanimous vote. It makes it unlawful for a producer or a dealer to ship in interstate commerce goods which are produced wholly or in part, in mine or quarry, by children under 16 years of age. If manufactured goods, they are debarred from commerce between the States if made by children under 14; or by children under 16 employed more than eight hours a day; or by children under 15 employed at night.

Jules Ford Goes to "Pen."

New York, Feb. 2.—Jules H. Ford, known internationally in criminal and police circles as "Doc" Waterbury, general all-around crook and confidence man, was today sentenced to Sing Sing for not less than one year and three months and not more than two years and six months. He was convicted of selling an alleged life membership in the Gridiron Club.

Turks Report Victory.

Constantinople, Feb. 2.—The following official statement was issued by the Turkish war office today: "On the Caucasus front a Russian battalion attacked a Turkish outpost, but was repulsed. The enemy left 300 dead on the field. The other fronts are unchanged."

Mardi Gras, New Orleans, Mobile, Pensacola. Low fares. Tickets on sale Feb. 25 to March 6. Southern Railway. Through trains daily. 705 15th, 911 G St.—Adv.

LIQUOR DEALERS FIRE SHOTS AT "DRY" MEASURES

Prohibition Bills Denounced
at Banquet of National
Retail Liquor Dealers' Association.

LANGUAGE IS BITTER

National Prohibition a Chim-
era, Declares Representa-
tive Meeker, of Missouri.

"When God so changes the forces of nature that the juices of fruit will not ferment, then, and then only, will there be national prohibition," declared Representative Meeker, of Missouri, in an address at the annual banquet of the National Retail Liquor Dealers' Association at the New National last night.

With voices that fairly quivered with pent-up feelings and opinions which they cannot express fully on the floor of the House, nearly a score of Representatives bitterly denounced the proposed Sheppard bill and Hobson amendment. Each member of Congress pledged himself to fight vigorously not only against national prohibition, which they declared would be a chimera, but also against prohibition for the District.

Representative Meeker, after declaring that the Anti-Saloon League is the most corrupt political organization in the United States, said:

"The greatest danger to the United States as a country today is the encroachment of the church into politics. A state has never existed yet where politics was dominated by the church; it has always been destroyed."

Referring to the legislators who are backing prohibition, he said:

"Dry" Leaders Denounced.

"What I want to see is a bill that will make the buying of a drink a crime. When that bill is introduced you will see the Capitol turn upside down."

Stating that there were two "star" Anti-Saloon League leaders outside the banquet door, Representative Gavin, of Massachusetts, in a voice that could be heard all over the hotel, denounced the members of the league in scathing words. Concluding, Mr. Gavin declared that as always he would continue to stand by the men of the District of Columbia on the floor of the House.

Asserting that he knew something of the troubles of the members of the association, Representative Dyer, of Missouri, told the members that they could trust the Judiciary Committee to do what they consider best for the people and not rob them of their liberty. The Hobson amendment is at the Capitol now, he said, and it will be there for a long time to come.

The prohibition bills now before Congress, he said, smacks both of bigotry and selfishness, and he declared that as long as he was a member of the Judiciary Committee there was no chance of the

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Brave Explosion To Put Out Fire

Garage Workers Run Risk of
Losing Lives to Extinguish
Gasoline Blaze.

A fire or an explosion in the seven-story Union Garage, 412 G street north-west, was averted by a narrow margin yesterday when an accident wrecked a truck bearing 1,025 gallons of gasoline and the overflowing fuel caught fire.

A few plucky employees, braving the imminent explosion, smothered the flames while other workmen fled from the building.

The accident happened about 2 o'clock, when an automobile tank truck operated by Harry Heister, for the Crown Oil & Wax Company, of Rosslyn, Va., broke through the cement floor. Helaster was driving into the rear entrance of the garage when the floor gave way. A rear wheel fell into the hole and tipped the truck, spilling the gasoline.

The gasoline flowed through the cave-in and caught fire from a boiler furnace. A shout brought the attention of a score of workmen to the flaming gasoline. Many fled panic-stricken from the building. The few who remained threw sand on the burning liquid and smothered the flames.

Eight Hurt in Wreck.

Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 2.—Eight persons were slightly injured this forenoon when train No. 44, east-bound, on the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was partially derailed about two miles east of Seward.

Zeppelin Shot Down.

London, Feb. 2.—A Zeppelin airship which raided Paris was damaged so badly by fire from an aeroplane that it was forced to descend at Laon, says an unconfirmed Central News dispatch from Amsterdam today.

\$50,000 Loss by Fire.

Philadelphia, Feb. 2.—Two fires, the loss of in each case estimated at more than \$50,000, occurred in this city today. Many girls were thrown out of work.



Who in Nebraska Can He Mean?

MORGAN GOES TO FIX LOAN

\$200,000,000 Advance to
France May Result from
European Trip.

New York, Feb. 2.—J. P. Morgan quietly sailed for Europe this evening on the S. S. Rotterdam, presumably to arrange a large French loan in the United States.

This loan, according to well-informed financial interests, will range from \$100,000,000 to \$200,000,000. It will be secured by collateral.

When the news of Mr. Morgan's scheduled departure became known, it was at first thought he was sailing in connection with the establishment of another English credit.

Mr. Morgan said he had no comment to make on his journey.

At the offices of Morgan and Company, it was stated that Mr. Morgan's trip was "partly for business and partly for pleasure."

It was added that he would stop at Falmouth, but it was denied that he was going to participate in negotiations for a new British credit or loan. It being added that Great Britain has ample funds here at present.

From trustworthy quarters it was learned that the proposed bonds will run from three to five years and carry a rate of interest sufficiently high to make the securities attractive.

The securities, it was added, would probably carry a greater rate of interest than the 5 per cent Anglo-French loan.

AIRMEN BROKE NEUTRALITY.

Zeppelins Alleged to Have Flown
Over Holland After British Attack.

London, Feb. 2.—The Zeppelin fleet which attacked England on Monday night, killing fifty-four persons and wounding sixty-seven, violated Dutch neutrality on the homeward voyage by flying over Holland, says a Rotterdam dispatch to the Evening News.

The same telegram added that a Swedish sea captain saw five big Zeppelins over the North Sea on Monday, flying swiftly in a westerly direction.

Street Fights in Montenegro.

Paris, Feb. 2.—It is learned from German sources that street fighting has occurred in Danilograd and Podgoritz in southern Montenegro, says a war office communique today.

MRS. H. S. KNOX GETS DIVORCE

Son of Former Secretary of
State Was Cruel and Bar-
barous, Is Charge.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 2.—Katharine McCook Knox, member of a prominent New York family, obtained today a divorce from Hugh Smith Knox, son of P. C. Knox, former Secretary of State. Mrs. Knox charged her husband with cruel and barbarous treatment. Her testimony was corroborated by her mother, Mrs. Hattie B. McCook, of New York.

The trouble between the pair began on their honeymoon trip. They were married December 14, 1911, in this city. During the honeymoon trip Knox charged his wife with going "out walking with some one."

The Knoxs took up residence in Washington, D. C. While there the wife stated that her husband, when unable to obtain liquor at the home of his father, would go to the Army and Navy Club and the Metropolitan Club. Later in Valley Forge Knox was found climbing out of a low window in their home with a revolver in his hand.

On one occasion when Mrs. Knox arrived at the railroad depot in Atlantic City she asked a crowd and in the midst of it found her husband "in a most frightful condition." When she said, "Hello, Hugh," he yelled out, "Well, d—you, ain't you going to kiss me?"

While going to the hotel in a bus Knox is alleged to have fallen out and men were compelled to carry him into the hotel.

Turk Heir a Suicide.

London, Feb. 2.—A Reuter dispatch from Constantinople states that the heir apparent to the Turkish throne, Prince Yusuf Izzeddin, has committed suicide by opening his arteries.

Roumania and Greece Sign.

Bucharest, Feb. 2.—The newspaper Adverul states that it has official authority for the announcement that Roumania and Greece have signed a treaty by which neither shall abandon its neutrality without the consent of the other.

Werner Horn in Court.

Boston, Feb. 2.—The fight of Werner Horn, dynamiter of the International bridge at Vanceboro, Me., for his freedom opened today in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

WIN PLEDGE OF FREEDOM

Senate Passes Amendment
Promising Filipino Inde-
pendence in Four Years.

The Senate yesterday by tie vote, the Vice President voting affirmatively to break the tie, adopted the Clarke amendment to the Philippine civil government bill, overturning the report of the Senate Committee on the Philippines and going on record in favor of the absolute independence for the Philippines after two years from the passage of the act and not later than four years.

The vote was not entirely a surprise. Sentiment has been growing since the Philippines bill has been before the Senate in favor of absolute and unconditional independence. The Senate voted Tuesday to retain a coaling station and naval base in the islands so it is to be expected that when the bill is finally perfected it will reserve this as the only remnant of American authority in the archipelago. The Senate yesterday struck out of the Clarke amendment the authorization to the President to negotiate international agreements looking to the respect and recognition by the great powers of the independence and neutrality of the islands.

The effect of the two votes was to provide for the relinquishment of American sovereignty, the complete independence of the Philippines, but without any guarantee by the United States for the future.

A compromise amendment submitted was voted down. It was the opinion that this bill represented the last stand of the administration in the fight against the Clarke amendment.

DUTCH FIRE ON ZEPPELIN.

Airboat Flies Low Over Ameland
Island in Fog.

Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—More than sixty shots were fired by Dutch gunners at a Zeppelin which was sighted today flying low over Ameland Island in the North Sea.

Some are believed to have hit the Zeppelin which had evidently lost its way in the fog.

House Going to London.

London, Feb. 2.—Col. E. M. House, the special envoy of President Wilson in Europe, will arrive here Monday. He expects to remain in London until February 19, when he will sail for New York on the Rotterdam.

Mine Workers Off for Home.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 2.—The 1,222 delegates to the United Mine Workers of America convention were on their way home today, after having wound up one of the most successful conventions in the history of the organization.

APPAM'S PASSENGERS WILL BE PUT ASHORE AND GIVEN FREEDOM

Captains of Captured Ships Already Released
But Sea Proves Too Rough for Land-
men to Make Journey

RAIDER DECLARED NOT MOEWE

Mariners Say German Ship Probably Was Ponga, Modern
6,000-Ton Vessel—One American Among Prisoners
on Board—Sailed From West Africa.

Old Point Comfort, Va., Feb. 2.—The Appam, the British steamship captured by a mysterious German commerce raider, tomorrow morning will steam up to Newport News, where all her passengers will be released, free to go where they will.

Under instructions from the Treasury Department at Washington Collector of Customs Norman R. Hamilton, of Norfolk, tonight delivered aboard the ship the announcement that the Appam would be held as a legal German prize of war.

He notified Lieut. Berg of the prize crew that all the passengers were at liberty to go ashore.

The rough sea made transfer of the passengers impracticable tonight. However several of the more venturesome came ashore. Among these were the commanding officers of six of the ships sunk or captured by the mysterious raider.

U. S. ACCEPTS GERMAN VIEW

Will Regard Appam as Prize
of War for Present
at Least.

Following a request filed with Secre-
tary of State Lansing today, by Sir Cecil
Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador,
the State Department ordered the release
of all persons on board the British
steamer Appam with the exception of the
officers and members of the German
prize crew.

At the same time officials of the State Department let it be known that, although no definite decision has been reached as to the status of the vessel, she will be regarded as a prize of war.

As such, it was plainly intimated, the vessel will be treated in accordance with the treaties of 1796 and 1828 between the United States and Prussia.

In other words, the disposition is to accept the German view, as expressed informally in German Embassy circles, that under these treaties the commander of the prize crew has the right to ask asylum for his prize in the American port until such time as he may elect to remove her.

Protest to Be Made.

Although it is authoritatively stated at the British Embassy that no formal demand will be made by the British government, pending an announcement of the American position, for a release of the vessel to her original British owners, it is likewise declared that if the United States upholds the German position a vigorous protest will be made.

Despite the orders already gone to Collector Hamilton at Norfolk to release all on board the Appam excepting the prize crew, it was indicated in German quarters tonight that Germany may insist on the internment of the British troops on board the vessel.

These troops, according to press dispatches from Norfolk, were transferred to the Appam by the German raider Moeve after the latter had sunk the British transport Dromonby.

Oscar Olinger Is
Reported Suicide

Gallaudet Freshman Found
Dead in Louisville Hotel,
According to Telegram.

London, Feb. 2.—The British Steamship
Woodfield fought a submarine in the
Mediterranean for three hours and was
finally sunk. Eight members of the
fighting crew were killed and fourteen
were wounded.

Survivors of the crew arrived today at
Hymouth.

Some of the crew who escaped from
the Woodfield landed on the African
coast and were taken prisoners by the
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They were not released by the Moors
until ransoms had been paid for them.

OPENS VEINS; CUTS THROAT.

Baltimore Lumber Dealer Found
Dead in New York Hotel.

New York, Feb. 2.—Death from opening
the veins in his wrists and ankles was
too slow for William Parvis Rolph, a
wealthy lumber dealer, of Baltimore, and
a guest at the Hotel McAlpin.

He tried to cut his throat with a pen-
knife, but the knife broke. Then he got
his razor.

He was found dead in his room on the
seventeenth floor this morning.

His health is supposed to have been the
cause.

President's House Fired.

Lisbon, Portugal, Feb. 2.—In a revolu-
tionary outbreak today, an attempt
was made to assassinate Senor Catarho
de Meneses, the minister of justice, but
the shots fired at him missed. The
residence of the President of the re-
public was set on fire.

American on Board.

Sir Edward Merewether, one of the
passengers to land, said:
"The Moeve, as it seems to be called,
was, of course, not the Moeve at all.
What her name may have been no one
except the German crew themselves can
know."

Concerning the report circulated early
in the day that the Appam was brought
into Norfolk with a bullion valued at \$2-
500,000, Sir Edward said this is a
hoax.

"There was a tale aboard the Appam
which I believe has gained currency here
that we were carrying a very large
amount of gold. The figure has been put
at \$25,000,000 pounds sterling. According
to my information the Appam was carrying
less than 200,000 pounds."

Prince Enslaved.

Considerable stir was caused early in
the day by a report brought from the
captured vessel by Inspector Morton that
a naturalized American has been found
among the passengers of the Appam. Mor-
ton said he had been informed that John
Tallaferra, of Eureka County, Nevada,
was being held on the ship. The in-
spector said Tallaferra had boarded the
Appam at Secudee, west Africa, and
that he had with him his papers showing
him to be a full-fledged American citizen.

He said he had submitted these state-
ments in writing to both Lieut. Berg
and Prince von Hatzeft. The inspector
said he would report the matter to the
authorities in Washington.

Battles U-Boat
For Three Hours

British Steamer Woodfield
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